

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN TOM ZOOK**, on March 22, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 312 - 2 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Tom Zook, Chairman (R)
Rep. Joe Quilici, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Steve Vick, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Beverly Barnhart (D)
Rep. Ernest Bergsagel (R)
Rep. Peggy Bergsagel (R)
Rep. Rosalie (Rosie) Buzzas (D)
Rep. John Cobb (R)
Rep. Stan Fisher (R)
Rep. Dick Haines (R)
Rep. Royal Johnson (R)
Rep. Betty Lou Kasten (R)
Rep. Matt McCann (D)
Rep. Red Menahan (D)
Rep. Ray Peck (D)
Rep. Lila Taylor (R)
Rep. Joe Tropila (D)
Rep. John Witt (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Joanne Gunderson, Committee Secretary
Taryn Purdy, Legislative Fiscal Division

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed. Minutes were recorded on a Sony BI-85 machine; references are measured in inches rather than minutes.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HB 676, HB 15, 3/19/1999
Executive Action: HB 313, HB 431, HB 15, HB 5, HB 676,
HB 14, HB 612

HEARING ON HB 15

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Tom Zook, HD 3, presented HB 15.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 15}

Proponents' Testimony:

Mary Bryson, Director, Department of Revenue **EXHIBIT**(aph64a01)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 15 - 480}

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 480 - Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 97}

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 97 - 150}

HEARING ON HB 676

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. John Witt, HD 89, presented HB 676.

Proponents' Testimony:

Hank Hudson, Department of Health and Human Services

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 150 - 186}

Gordon Morris, Montana Association of Counties

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 186 - 197}

Rep. Toni Hagener, HD 90

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 197 - 215}

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 215 - 264}

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 264 - 270}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 676

Motion: REP. JOHNSON moved that HB 676 DO PASS.

Motion: REP. KASTEN moved that HB 676 BE AMENDED.

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 270 - 315}

Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 315 - 318}

Motion/Vote: REP. JOHNSON moved that HB 676 DO PASS AS AMENDED.

Motion carried unanimously.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 318 - 392}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 5

Motion: REP. E. BERGSAGEL moved that HB 5 DO PASS.

Motion: REP. BERGSAGEL moved that HB 5 BE AMENDED.

Discussion:

*{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 392 - 429; Comments :
The committee was reminded that HB 5 had passed as amended on
2/18/99 but was held in committee for passage of HB 14;
therefore, these motions were unnecessary.}*

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 14

Motion: REP. JOHNSON moved that HB 14 DO PASS AS AMENDED.

Discussion:

*{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 429 - Side : B;
Approx. Time Counter : 129; Comments : amendments had been
adopted at a previous executive session.}*

Motion/Vote: REP. JOHNSON moved that HB 14 BE AMENDED. Motion failed 6-12 by Roll Call Vote.

Motion/Vote: REP. JOHNSON moved that HB 14 DO PASS AS AMENDED.

Motion failed 8-10 by Roll Call Vote.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 129 - 177}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 15

Motion: REP. E. BERGSAGEL moved that HB 15 DO PASS.

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 177 - 369}

Vote: Motion carried 12-6 by Roll Call Vote.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 369 - 388; Comments : Rep. Zook stated that, without objection, it was understood the vote included the amendments adopted by the subcommittee. There was no objection from the committee.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 14

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 388 - Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 221; Comments : Comments and explanations regarding HB 14 from several committee members.}

Motion: REP. COBB moved that as an alternative to HB 14 a committee bill be drafted to include only Pine Hills and Justice items from HB 14.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 221 - 288; Comments : Chairman Zook did not accept the motion. Further discussion re: HB 14 ensued.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 431

Motion: REP. BARNHART moved that HB 431 DO PASS.

Discussion:

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 288 - 330}

Substitute Motion/Vote: REP. E. BERGSAGEL made a substitute motion that HB 431 BE TABLED. Substitute motion carried 12-6 with Barnhart, Buzzas, Menahan, Peck, Quilici, and Tropila voting no.
{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 330 - 347}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 313

Motion: REP. BUZZAS moved that HB 313 DO PASS.

Discussion:

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 347 - 440}

Motion: REP. BUZZAS moved that HB 313 BE AMENDED ~~EXHIBIT~~ (aph64a02)

Discussion:

*{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 440 - Side : B;
Approx. Time Counter : 30}*

Vote: Motion failed 7-11 with Barnhart, Buzzas, McCann, Menahan, Peck, Quilici, and Tropila voting aye.

Substitute Motion/Vote: REP. E. BERGSAGEL made a substitute motion that HB 313 BE TABLED. Substitute motion carried 10-8 with Barnhart, P. Bergsagel, Buzzas, McCann, Menahan, Peck, Quilici, and Tropila voting no.

EXHIBIT (aph64a03)

EXHIBIT (aph64a04)

*{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 30 - 96; Comments :
Exhibits 3 and 4 were distributed, but not considered.}*

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 14

Discussion:

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 96 - 124}

Motion/Vote: REP. MENAHAN moved that HB DO PASS AS AMENDED. Motion failed 9-9 by Roll Call Vote.

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 124 - 164}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 612

Motion/Vote: REP. TROPILA moved that HB 612 BE RECONSIDERED.

Motion failed 8-10 by Roll Call Vote.

EXHIBIT (aph64a05)

EXHIBIT (aph64a06)

*{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 164 - 200; Comments :
Exhibits 5 and 6 were distributed, but not considered.}*

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:30 A.M.

REP. TOM ZOOK, Chairman

JOANNE GUNDERSON, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (aph64aad)